OH R<sub>2</sub> R<sub>1</sub> R<sub>3</sub> Formula 4

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wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, alkyl, amino, alkylamino, and N,N-dialkylamino;

R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and alkyl; and

 $R_3$  is an electron-donating substituent.

Claim 33 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the compound, composition or mixture is a base oil or mixture thereof suitable for the intended use as a lubricant.

Claim 34 (New). The method of claim 33, wherein the base oil is selected from the group consisting of a conventionally refined mineral oil, an oil derived from coal tar or shale, a vegetable oil, an animal oil, a hydrocracked oil, a synthetic oil, or any mixture thereof.

Claim 35 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of alkoxy, amino, N-alkylamino and N,N-dialkylamino.

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Claim 36 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the compound of claim 1, wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and alkyl;

R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, and alkyl; and

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of alkoxy, amino, N - alkylamino, and N,N-dialkylamino.

Claim 37 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the compound of claim 1, wherein,

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of amino, N-alkylamino and N,N-dialkylamino;

R<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, and alkyl; and

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of alkoxy, amino, N-alkylamino, and N,N-dialkylamino.

Claim 38 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is of the following formula:

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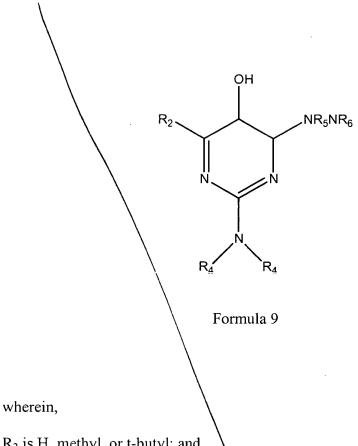
wherein,

 $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are H, methyl, or t-butyl; and

R<sub>4</sub> is H, methyl, ethyl, t-butyl, pentyl, ootyl, or phytyl.

Claim 39 (New). The method of claim 38, wherein  $R_2$  is methyl, or t-butyl.

Claim 40 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is of the following formula:



R<sub>2</sub> is H, methyl, or t-butyl; and

R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, and R<sub>6</sub> are H, methyl, ethyl, thutyl, pentyl, octyl, or phytyl.

The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is of Claim 41 (New). the following formula:

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wherein,

 $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $R_4$  are H, or an alkyl group.

Claim 42 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is of the following formula:

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wherein,

 $R_2$ ,  $R_4$ ,  $R_5$ , and  $R_6$  are H, or an alkyl group.

Claim 43 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is 5-pyrimidinol.

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<u>Claim 44</u> (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is 2,4,6-trimethyl-5-pyrimidinol.

Claim 45 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is 2-methyl-4,6-di-tert-buytl-5-pyrimidinol.

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Claim 46 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is 2-methoxy-4,6-dimethyl-5-pyrimidinol.

Claim 47 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the pyrimidine compound is 2-N,N-dimethylamino-4,6-dimethyl-5-pyrimidinol.

Claim 48 (New). The method of claim 32, wherein the composition in which oxidation is inhibited is a petroleum composition selected from the group consisting of lubricating compositions and liquid organic fuels, and:

the introducing step reduces the oxidative environment in the petroleum composition.